

award. They roasted him by sharing stories of his nearly fifty year career. According to a friend "Jerry had a terrific sense of humor. And that he just laughed and laughed."

Jerry Milano had a reputation of being a tough, thorough and always prepared advocate for his clients. He also had a reputation of being a kind and generous man who counted among his friends one-time adversaries. Many stories have been told over the years of his many generous acts on behalf of other lawyers, friends and persons he only knew as acquaintances.

Stories have been told about some of Jerry Milano's courtroom antics. Many of the stories describe humorous, good natured acts before the bench. Some of the stories, while humorous, led to the mischievous lawyer having his wrist slapped by the presiding judge. His comic behaviors, never mean spirited, showed his quick wit and light-hearted sense of humor.

Attorney Jerry Milano, a graduate of Kent State University and Cleveland Marshall College of Law, tried cases of great notoriety. His clients, his opposing counsel, the presiding judge and jury had an opportunity to witness a professional. He defended his clients aggressively, competently, and according to the Canons of Ethics. After more than fifty (50) years of practice in Ohio, Florida and Alabama, Attorney Jerry Milano retired because of illness.

As a young assistant county prosecutor, I watched in awe, and gained valuable insight, as Attorney Milano examined a prosecution witness. As a judge I enjoyed trying cases with Jerry. He made the prosecutors do their jobs. As friends, Jerry and Rita Milano have been with me through all of my ups and downs. Thank you for your friendship.

On behalf of the United States Congress and the citizens of the 11th Congressional District, Ohio, I extend condolences to Rita, Jay and Debbie Milano on the loss of a loving family man and friend. I join the Bar in celebrating the life and times of a legal superstar.

INTRODUCTION OF THE
"REMEMBER 9/11 HEALTH ACT"

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 2, 2005

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing the "Remember 9/11 Health Act" with Representatives SHAYS, NADLER, OWENS, RON KIND, McDERMOTT, MCCARTHY, and HINCHAY.

During the days following September 11, 2001, tens of thousands of people rushed to the World Trade Center to assist in the rescue and recovery efforts. Their mission was clear—to help the people suffering from the attack. Now, more than 3 years after the attacks, rescue and recovery workers remain sick and out of work as a direct result of their exposure to Ground Zero. To make matters worse, many sick rescue and recovery workers no longer have health care insurance due to their long-term unemployment. Despite this public health emergency, there is still no one in charge, there is no money for treatment, there is no research into its cause, the monitoring program established by Congress can only screen a fraction of those exposed to

Ground Zero and it only has been funded for a 5-year period, not the 20 years suggested by the medical community.

To remedy this problem we are reintroducing the "Remember 9/11 Health Act" (H.R. 4059 in the 108th Congress).

The "Remember 9/11 Health Act" contains four main points: Treatment, Expanded Monitoring, Research and Coordination.

I. Providing Treatment.—Modeled after a program that provides health insurance for injured volunteer forest firefighters, this bill provides federal health insurance to individuals suffering injuries and/or health problem as a result of the September 11th Terrorist Attacks. Recipients do not pay for any health care expenses, including prescription drugs and copayments. This program also includes mental health coverage.

II. Expanding Health Monitoring.—Maintains current monitoring program that is screening a limited number of rescue and recovery workers, including the separate program for the Fire Department, while expanding it to a level recommended by the public health community.

III. Research.—Directs the National Institutes of Health to conduct or support diagnostic and treatment research for health conditions that are associated with the exposure to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

IV. Coordination.—Establishes the 9/11 Health Emergency Coordinating Council under the direction of the Department of Health and Human Services for the purpose of discussing, examining, and formulating recommendations for the adequacy and coordination of the Federal Government, State government and local governments response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Providing a coordinated federal response that includes not only monitoring, but treatment and research is the right thing to do. We need to send a message to rescue and recovery workers everywhere that if you are there for us when we need you, we will also be there when you need us. Anything short of that is unfair and could jeopardize the rescue and recovery response to future national emergency.

HONORING SUSAN KIRK

HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 2, 2005

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor University of Colorado Regent Susan Kirk. Regent Kirk was elected to represent the First Congressional District in 1992 and was re-elected in 1998 by an overwhelming margin. She was elected chair of the board in 1997 where she provided leadership on the creation of a Women's Studies degree and the application for transfer and conveyance of the Fitzsimmons property. Susan had served the maximum 12 years allowed when her term ended in 2004.

Regent Kirk has been a tireless champion of women's and children's rights, equal opportunity and treatment, and expanding access to higher education. Her altruistic efforts in the community are legendary. She and her husband Dick established the Susan Kirk Scholarship for female students in the Graduate School of Public Affairs. She has also been a

contributor to and advocate for the Center for Women's Health Research. Susan Kirk is a key player in many, if not most, charitable endeavors in our community.

Susan held leadership roles at the University of Colorado during both triumphs and challenging times. She has always been more interested in staying true to friendships and looking for solutions than in stirring controversy and grabbing headlines. The strength and grace of her leadership has meant a great deal to our community and is something I personally admire.

I ask my colleagues to join me recognizing my friend, Susan Kirk for her immeasurable contribution to the University of Colorado. I wish her and her husband Dick much health and happiness in their future endeavors.

IN RECOGNITION OF JAMESON JOSEPH COLLINS UPON HIS
ACHIEVEMENT OF EAGLE SCOUT
COURT OF HONOR

HON. ELLEN O. TAUSCHER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 2, 2005

Mrs. TAUSCHER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to my constituent Jameson Joseph Collins of Eagle Scout troop No. 204 in Lafayette, California, as he receives the distinguished honor of the Eagle Scout rank.

The honor of Eagle Scout is given only to those young men who have demonstrated that they have fulfilled its rigorous requirements, including living by the Scout Oath and Law, rising through the Boy Scout ranks, earning 21 merit badges, serving as a leader, and planning and leading a service project for their community. This is not an honor given out lightly: this young man is becoming an Eagle Scout because he is intelligent, dedicated, and principled.

I am proud to call Jameson Joseph Collins my constituent, for he is a shining example of the promise of the next generation. Indeed, he represents the best of the young people in our country. I extend my sincere congratulations to him and his family, on this momentous occasion.

CONGRATULATING THE 2004 FLORIDA
HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION CLASS 4A STATE
FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 2, 2005

Mr. PUTNAM. Mr. Speaker, I want to congratulate the 2004 Florida High School Athletic Association, FHSAA, Class 4A State Football Champion Seffner Armwood High School Hawks from the 12th Congressional District of Florida.

The Hawks won their second straight State title after a hard fought victory over the Lake Gibson Braves also from 12th Congressional District. I also want to recognize the valiant efforts of the entire Lake Gibson football team, even though they came up short in this year's state championship game.